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REPORT

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SUBJECT: CENTRAL EUROPEAN REFUGEES - APPLICATIONS  
FOR IMMIGRATION CERTIFICATES MADE ON  
BEHALF OF PERSONS AT PRESENT IN AUSTRALIA

With reference to the contents of the two attached communications it will be observed that the persons for whom application for immigration permits is made are at present residing in internment camps in Australia. The applicants concerned were informed by this office that permits would not be issued in respect of persons resident in Australia. This was done in accordance with instructions issued by the D.C. (Crime & Special Branches).

The regulations applicable to the immigration into Shanghai of Central European refugees specifically mentions refugees from Central European areas. It is doubtful whether inmates of internment camps located in Australia can be included in this category.

As far as this office is concerned persons residing in Australia can enter Shanghai without permits but whether the Australian authorities will release these individuals from the internment camps in which they are now confined is a different matter with which we are not concerned. It is of interest to record that as far as is known no communications have yet been addressed to the Commissioner of Police in this connection.

A.C. (Special Branch).

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Lucie Baer nee Bendix  
Shanghai,  
37 Brennan Road,  
House 20.

Shanghai, March, 13 th, 1941.

To the  
Special Branch,  
S.M.C. Police Department,  
Shanghai,

Attention of Deputy Commissioner Robertson,

Sir,

On January 11 th, I applied through the intermediary of the Committee  
for the Assistance of European Jewish Refugees for the admission of

my son Werner Baer,  
my daughter-in-law Ilse Baer,  
their child Mirjam Mayory Baer,

at present residing at Tatura Vict., Australia, into the International  
Settlement of Shanghai.

On February 23 th 1941, I got the communication from the police, that  
I could not get the permits for the said persons, as the authorities  
here do not issue permits for persons living on English territory.

My children are always writing from Australia, that they urgently need  
the certificates for their emigration from there. For this reason, I  
hereby kindly beg to ask you, Sir, to agree to my application supported  
by the following facts:

In December 1938, when my children had to leave Germany, they emigrated  
to Singapore. In September 1940, they had to leave Singapore and were  
sent to Australia by the authorities, and there they are kept in confine-  
ment. The pecuniary conditions of my son are in consequence of his wor-  
king as a musician so, that - in the case that they could come to here-

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Lucie Baer née Bendix  
Shanghai  
37 Brenan Road, House 26.

January 11 th, 1941.

Special Branch,  
S.M.C. Police Department,  
Shanghai,

through the intermediary of the Committee for the Assistance  
of European Jewish Refugees.

Dear Sirs,

The undersigned begs leave to apply for the admission of:

Mr. Werner Baer, 26 years old, ( my son ),  
Mrs. Ilse Baer née Presch, 23 years old, ( his wife ),  
Mirjam Mayory Baer, 1 1/4 years old, ( their child ),

at present residing at Tatura Vict., Australia, into the  
International Settlement of Shanghai.

The said parties desire to settle down in Shanghai.

Application is submitted under Article M & B of the Regula-  
tions, in terms of which an entry permit is required for the  
immigration of my son, my daughter-in-law and their child  
into Shanghai. My son is possessing £ 150.- out of an activi-  
ty, he has done in Singapore as music-teacher within 2 years.  
I myself am staying here with my son Fritz Baer, who has here  
an advertising-office, and is earning monthly about Sh \$ 600.--  
to 800.--; furtheron he is possessing at the bank about  
Sh \$ 3.000.--. I beg to enclose an agreement, according which  
my son Werner will be engaged by the Bolero Night Club, here,  
as a pianist at a monthly salary of Sh \$ 500.--. I hereby so-  
lemnly declare, that I am not receiving support from others,  
that I undertake to guarantee, that the said persons will  
not become a burden to the community.

I have the honour to remain, dear Sirs,

Respectfully Yours

signature Lucie Baer

608 East Seward Road,  
House 3,  
Shanghai,  
February 28th, 1941.

H.D.M. Robertson, Esq.,  
Deputy Commissioner,  
Shanghai Police Force,  
195 Foochow Road,  
Shanghai.

S i r :


Having called on Mr. Pitts this morning -- Room 2C7 -- regarding permits, I was referred to you in connection with the following matter.

Day before yesterday, I received a letter from my relatives, an uncle, his wife and two children, who lived for a couple of years in Singapore, and who were sent to Australia a few months ago in accordance with British Defence Regulations. They always wanted to join us and asked for their release. Since they are also of Jewish nationality, they have now apparently got the permission to leave the country if they could provide themselves with a permit or any official confirmation that there will be no difficulties upon their arrival in Shanghai.

Therefore, I should be glad if you could furnish me with any information that would enable me to assist my uncle in entering Shanghai.

Furthermore, I should like to inform you that this gentleman, Mr. B. Zipper, was a manufacturers' representative, and had travelled regularly in the Far East for more than 15 years, staying in Shanghai every year from four to eight weeks and having, therefore, excellent connections in this city. For this reason he could take up business connections here immediately.

As this matter is of very great importance to us, I should appreciate it very much if you would favour me with a reply at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,  
  
(E. Zipper)